MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 60th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

Call to Order: By CHAIRMAN JESSE LASLOVICH, on March 30, 2007 at 8:00 A.M., in Room 303 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Jesse Laslovich, Chairman (D)

Sen. Aubyn Curtiss (R)

Sen. Larry Jent (D)

Sen. Dan McGee (R)

Sen. Lynda Moss (D)

Sen. Jerry O'Neil (R)

Sen. Gerald Pease (D)

Sen. Gary L. Perry (R)

Members Excused:

Sen. Carol C. Juneau (D)

Sen. Jim Shockley (R)

Sen. David E. Wanzenried (D)

Sen. Carol Williams (D)

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Carol Andersen, Committee Secretary

Valencia Lane, Legislative Branch

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 781, 3/26/2007; HB 643,

3/26/2007; HB 636, 3/26/2007

Executive Action: None.

HEARING ON HB 781

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:01:14 REP. JONATHAN WINDY BOY (D), HD 32, opened the hearing on HB 781, Revise racial profiling law -- data gathering.

EXHIBIT (jus68a01)

Proponents:

- 00:05:54 Sen. Carol Juneau
- 00:11:23 Charles Grant, Havre
- 00:14:51 Cynthia Schmokel
- 00:16:27 Rep. Margaret Campbell, Fort Peck Indian Reservation
- 00:17:53 Cathy Day, Montana American Civil Liberties Union

EXHIBIT (jus68a02)

- 00:20:58 Linda Gryczan
- 00:24:14 Barry Stang, Montana Motor Carriers Association
- 00:25:19 Rep. Norma Bixby, Northern Crow and Cheyenne Districts

Opponents:

- 00:29:17 Mark Guy, Laurel Police Department
- 00:32:19 Rusty Wickman, Chief of Police, Missoula
- 00:36:08 Mike Barthel, Chief of Police, Havre
- 00:42:57 Mike Weber, President of Montana County Attorneys Association
- 00:47:41 Sheriff Greg Szudera, Hill County
- 00:53:56 Mark Muir, Missoula Police Officer

- 01:01:28 Mark Blood, Missoula Police Officer and Racial Profile Instructor
- 01:02:37 Jim Kembel, Montana Association, Chiefs of Police and Montana Police Protective Association
- 01:03:28 Jerry Williams, Executive Director, Montana Police Protective Association
- 01:04:42 Stan Marquem, Havre Police Department

Informational Testimony:

01:07:10 Pam Bucy, Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice

EXHIBIT (jus68a03)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

- 01:17:17 Sen. McGee to Rep. Windy Boy
- 01:21:15 Sen. Moss to Chief Barthel
- 01:24:27 Sen. Juneau to Officer Muir
- 01:29:18 Sen. O'Neil to Rep. Windy Boy
- 01:30:29 Sen. Pease to Rep. Windy Boy

Closing by Sponsor:

- 01:31:53 Rep. Windy Boy
- 01:36:02 Break
- 01:48:26 Resume

HEARING ON HB 643

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

01:48:41 REP. JOHN SINRUD (R), HD 67, opened the hearing on HB 643, Revise sexual predator laws.

Proponents:

01:50:10 Stacie Rumenap, Stop Child Predators

EXHIBIT (jus68a04)

01:58:04 Chip St. Clair, Michigan Chapter, Justice for Children

EXHIBIT (jus68a05)

- 02:09:58 Mark Lundsford, Jessica Lundford's father
- 02:28:41 Greg Trude, Executive Director, Right to Life of Montana
- 02:30:47 Tim Ravndal, Montana Multiple Use Association
- 02:33:50 Joel Murdy, Belgrade

EXHIBIT (jus68a06)

Opponents:

- 02:40:02 Scott Crichton, American Civil Liberties Union
- 02:44:52 Linda Gryczan, Montana Women's Organization, and Business Women

Informational Testimony: None.

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

02:46:38 Sen. McGee to Rep. Sinrud

EXHIBIT (jus68a07)

- 02:48:50 Sen. Laslovich to Diana Koch, Chief Legal Counsel, Department of Corrections (DOC)
- 02:49:29 Sen. McGee to Diana Koch
- 02:51:57 Sen. Shockley to Diana Koch

Closing by Sponsor:

02:54:18 Rep. Sinrud

03:01:24 Break

03:11:12 Resume

HEARING ON HB 636

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

03:11:18 REP. NORMA BIXBY (D), HD 41, opened the hearing on HB 636, Prohibit quotas in evaluating law enforcement officers.

EXHIBIT (jus68a08)

EXHIBIT (jus68a09)

EXHIBIT (jus68a10)

EXHIBIT (jus68a11)

Proponents: None.

Opponents:

03:24:18 Pam Bucy, Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice

EXHIBIT (jus68a12)

EXHIBIT (jus68a13)

- 03:30:50 Jim Kembel, Montana Police Protective Association, and Montana Association of Police Associations
- 03:33:08 Col. Paul Grimstad, Montana Highway Patrol
- 03:34:17 Mike Weber, Richland County Attorney

Informational Testimony: None.

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

03:34:42 Sen. Shockley to Pam Bucy

03:36:46 Sen. McGee to Col. Grimstad

03:40:25 Sen. Laslovich to Col. Grimstad

03:41:32 Sen. Pease to Col. Grimstad

03:43:37 Sen. Pease to Pam Bucy

03:44:27 Sen. Shockley to Rep. Bixby

03:47:13 Sen. Perry to Col. Grimstad

03:48:55 Sen. O'Neil to Col. Grimstad

03:50:29 Sen. Shockley to Col. Grimstad

03:51:47 Sen. Moss to Pam Bucy

03:52:29 Sen. McGee to Pam Bucy

03:53:18 Sen. McGee to Col. Grimstad

Closing by Sponsor:

03:53:50 Rep. Bixby

04:01:33 Sen. Laslovich

04:02:53 Sen. O'Neil

04:04:05 Sen. Laslovich

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment:	12:10	P.M.
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SEN. JESSE LASLOVICH, Chairman

CAROL ANDERSEN, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits:

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